

HOLY MASS

Sunday, December 27, 2015

Holy Family of Jesus Mary and Joseph

READINGS: 1 Samuel 1.20-22, 24-28 Psalm: 84
1 John 3.1-2, 21-24 Gospel: Luke 2.41-52

Saturday, December 26 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Anna 'Kawennison' Thompson – 5th Anniv.,
and Ronnie Wood – Memorial Mass
Requested by Inez Seymour

Saturday, December 26 - 6:30 pm

Community Mass at Tsiionkwanonhso:te Adult Care

Offered for: William Lafrance Sr. – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Sunday, December 27 – 10:00 am

Offered for: Beatrice Francis – Memorial Mass
Requested by Nolan & Erin

Tuesday, December 29 * NO MASS

Wednesday, December 30 * NO MASS

Thursday, December 31 – 5:00 pm

Offered for: Clara Jean Lazore-King – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Friday, January 1 - 10:00 am

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Offered for: Henry Arquette – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Saturday, January 2 - 4:00 pm

Offered for: Daniel Bero Sr. – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

Sunday, January 3 – 10:00 am

CHILDREN'S MASS

Offered for: Ann Terrance – Memorial Mass
From the funeral collection

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Rectory Office Hours

Please note that the rectory office will be closed beginning December 28th at 9:00 am, and will re-open January 4th, 2016 at 9:00 am. For emergency pastoral needs, please call the rectory 613-575-2753, or leave a message at the St. Kateri Center 518-358-2931.

THE BULL MISERICORDIAE VULTUS

What the highlights of the message of the Pope?

The bull *Misericordiae Vultus* can be divided into four parts:

- A. Mercy:** The law of the heart – When God created man, he breathed into his nostrils. An image that allows us to understand that God has placed in each of us a deep desire to pursue happiness, to seek Him who is the true source of happiness. Then God sent His Son, who revealed to us His face. Through His Word, His gestures, His attitude, Jesus revealed to us the Father's mercy. The Church, which we are, must also spread the medicine of mercy to the world by being patient, benevolent, indulgent and kind to all.
- B. Mercy:** A concrete idea, the pillar of the Church – God is patient and merciful. It can not be otherwise without ceasing to be God. Throughout the Bible, we discover events that demonstrate God's patience and mercy towards His people. God loves His children with both a paternal and maternal love. It is a visceral love, a deep tenderness, compassion, and forgiveness...Jesus is also nothing but love. Everything about Him speaks of mercy. He does not lack compassion. Mercy is also the distinguishing mark of Christians. It is through mercy that God recognized us as His children. Everything we do as a Church and as a person much be to be marked by mercy. Without mercy, the Church cannot exist. Mercy is the pillar of the Church.
- C. Mercy and Forgiveness:** The Church's very credibility is seen in how she shows merciful and compassionate love. Her words and gestures must convey mercy so as to penetrate the heart of people and encourage them to find their way back to the Father. To achieve this, we must be silent and listen to God's Word. Mary is the perfect role model, she who listened to the Word, meditated upon it, discovered the will of God and fulfilled it. We must see our lives as a pilgrimage, a constant call to conversion. To achieve our goal, we must allow ourselves to be enveloped by the mercy of God and in turn we must become merciful, avoiding judgment through the corporal and spiritual works of mercy.
- D. Mercy and Justice:** ...to break through the dimensions of space and time, inserting everything into the eternal mystery of love. Mercy is written on the heart, whereas justice comes from the head. Jesus asks us to go beyond the strict requirements of the law, to see further, through the eyes of our heart as He always has. Mercy is not contrary to justice, but it illustrates how God treats the sinner, offering him a new opportunity to repent, to convert, to believe. Justice and mercy go beyond the borders of the Church, they invite us to enter into dialogue with the Jewish people, the first to have been chosen to become the people of God, with Muslims for whom God is called Merciful, Compassionate, with all people who seek the truth. +

Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy.
Pope Francis



The Lord's Prayer

Ta kwa ien ha, ne, ka ron hia ke, te si te ron, a ie sa sen na ien, a ie sa wen ni ios ta ke, a ie sa wen na ra kwa ke, non wen tsia ke, tsi ni iot, ne, ka ron hia ke, kie sa wen na rak wa. Ta kwa nont, ne, ken wen te, ia kion he kon, nia te wen ni se ra ke, sa sa ni konr hen, ne ion kwa ri wa ne ren, tsi ni iot, ni, i, tsi on kwa ni konr hens. O the non, ion ki ni konh rak sa ton, non kwe; to sa, a ion kwa sen ni, ne ka ri wa ne ren, ak we kon, e ren, sa wit, nio tak sens. NE NE KA NA KE RAH TSHE RA, NE NE KA SATS TENH SE RA, KA IA TA NE HRA KWAH TSHE RA, SA WEN'K NON:WA NOK TSI NEN:WE – E THO E THO NA IA WEN.

Jubilee Year of Mercy – Dec. 27, 2015 – Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Imagine: three New Year's celebration in little over a month! In late November, Advent began the new liturgical year; December 8, the *Jubilee Year of Mercy*; this coming Friday, the New Year 2016. In today's Gospel, after three days of anguish, Mary tells Jesus how desperately she and Joseph have been searching for him. Mary could be speaking for the whole human race. With religious persecutions raging, international and domestic conflicts seething, our family and friends suffering various difficulties, not to mention our own personal problems, how much our world needs Jesus as another New Year veiled in mystery begins! As we pray for God's mercy to enfold our world and embrace each of us in 2016, let our New Year's resolution be to live the Jubilee Year of Mercy by being for others, as Mary was, a channel of God's mercy and an instrument of Christ's peace. *Peter Scagnelli, Copyright, J.S. Paluch Co., Inc.*

Prayer for the Sick

Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforters of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your will and know that whatever you do, you do for the love of us. **Amen.**

During the Christmas season and in the coming of the New Year, please remember in your prayers, and share compassion to those who are homebound, in the hospital, live alone, and ill. Remember especially the sick: John Bigtree, Allan Gorrow, Sheila Ransom, Laurie Conners, Hope King, Sandra Terrance, Eddie Terrance, Leo Delormier, Wayne McDonald, Marjorie Thompson, Clyde Cree, Francis Cree, Larry Pyke and Beatrice Cole. Console all who are lonely, depressed, addicted, and sorrowful.

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Please remember in your prayers, our recent deceased community members, Baby Alexander Lazore and Audrey 'Oz' Cook. May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace, and pray for consolation to their families in time of sorrow. **Amen.**  
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Food Bank – Thank you to everyone for your continued generosity of food and baby items. It is still much needed especially during the Christmas season. God bless each and everyone.

Collections for weekend of Dec. 13, 2015
\$436.02 US \$405.60 CDN

Parish Ministries Meetings

Parish Ministry meetings' schedule will be publicized again in the next bulletin.
Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. May God show mercy and love to you and your family in this special season. Amen.

Niawenko:wa / Thank you

- * To Valene King Gray and staff for graciously volunteering to make our Christmas bread this year.
- * To the Altar & Rosary Society and volunteers for the beautiful Church decorations in honor of the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. May the spirit of our Lord be with you and your family always.

Confirmation class: next class is January 6, 2016 beginning at 6:00 pm. **First Communion class:** next class is January 7, 2016 – both at St. Kateri Center. All students are strongly recommended to attend Masses.

Message from Fr. Jack: In preparation for the 100th Anniversary of the apparition of Our Lady at Fatima to the three children, the World Apostolate of Fatima, USA, has initiated a campaign to increase the practice of the Devotion to satisfy Our Lady's request. St. Raymond's Church is coordinating First Saturday devotion of Communion of Reparation, Saturday, January 2nd, 2016, at 10:00 am with Rosary, confession during Rosary, and Mass at 10:30 am.